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DATE: March 2, 2009

TO: All Local Health Departments
Attn: Chief Food Specialist

FROM: A. Scott Gilliam, MBA, CP-FS
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SUBJECT: Dr. Smoothie Brands -Peanut Recall

SUGGESTED

ACTION: Peanut Recall; Due to *Salmonella typhimurium*; Recommend notification of affected stores via phone, fax or e-mail.

From the information provided by FDA, the recalled products were distributed in Indiana. Dr. Smoothie Brands Peanut Butter Crunch Bio Bars were distributed nationally through retail health food stores, wholesalers and direct to customer sales. Detail information is not available at this time. In addition, if any recalled product is found, please notify this office at 317-233-7360.

Dr. Smoothie Brands Recalls Peanut Butter Crunch, Bio Bars Because of Possible Health Risk

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE -- February 27, 2009, Fullerton, California — Dr. Smoothie Brands of Fullerton, California is recalling Peanut Butter Crunch Bio Bars because they have the potential to be contaminated with *Salmonella*. The bars were manufactured using peanut products recalled by Peanut Corporation of America. *Salmonella* is an organism, which can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people and others with weakened immune systems. Healthy persons infected with *Salmonella* often experience fever, diarrhea (which may be bloody), nausea, vomiting and abdominal pain. In rare circumstances, infection with *Salmonella* can result in the organism getting into the bloodstream and producing more serious illnesses such as arterial infections (i.e., infected aneurysms), endocarditis and arthritis.

Dr. Smoothie Brands Peanut Butter Crunch Bio Bars were distributed nationally through retail health food stores, wholesalers and direct to customer sales.

Peanut Butter Crunch Bio Bars distributed from March 5, 2008 to February 26, 2009 are involved in this recall. Potentially affected products can be identified by the following Best By Dates:

Best By 05MAR09

Best By 21May09

Best By 21Nov09

The bars are packaged in 2.0 oz individually wrapped in 15 pack printed cartons.

UPC Coding

Individual bars: 6 47854 42610 7

15 Count packs: 6 47854 26121 0

No known illnesses have been reported to date in connection with this product. The recall was initiated after it was determined that the peanuts used in the bars were manufactured by Peanut Corporation of America. Dr. Smoothie Brands has informed the FDA of its actions and is fully cooperating with the Agency.

Consumers who have purchased Dr. Smoothie Brands Peanut Butter Crunch Bio Bars with the above code dates are urged to return them to the place of purchase for a full refund. Consumers with questions may contact Dr. Smoothie Brands at 714-449-9787.

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